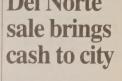
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arents call for safety measures at El Cerrito High Del Norte



By Alan Lopez

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STAFF WRITER

EL CERRITO — Del Norte
Place, an apartment and retail
complex on San Pablo Avenue at
Cutting Boulevard, is being sold,
generating \$1.4 million for the
city's Redevelopment Agency.
The City Council, acting as the
Redevelopment Agency, authorized the agency's executive director Scott Hanin, to complete
the documents that will allow the
sale to go forward, at its Aug. 18
meeting.
"The really good news is that
the property value has gone up
more than anybody expected se
it's really a windfall for us," said
redevelopment manager Lor
Trevino.
The property is being sold to



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This year's Stroll to ban polluting vehicles

Solano Ave.'s big event to focus on clean energy and a hopeful future

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NEWS BRIEFS

Albany

Saturday cleanup set for waterfront

Join volunteers Saturday, Sept. 20, from 8:30 a.m. to noon for Albany's Waterfront Cleanup and Work Day.

Albany's portion of the cleanup event includes trash and debris collection along Albany's shoreline and Bay Trail Restoration mulching. Meet at the foot of Buchanan Street Extension (Albany Beach). Bring gloves, hat, sunscreen and sturdy shoes.

Garbage bags and coffee will be provided. For details call Environmental Resources at 510-528-5766 or 510-528-5754.

Council to set goals for coming year

The Albany City Council will discuss its goals and objectives for the next year at its Tuesday, Sept. 2 meeting. The council plans to review the prior goals, and give city staff direction on objectives towards meeting those goals. The city staff will return with a recommendation on a work plan for achieving the objectives. The meeting will be held at 8 p.m., at the City Council Chambers, 1000 San Pablo Ave. For details, call 510-528-5720.

El Cerrito

Ice cream for school fund event coming up

The Cold Stone Creamery at El Cerrito Plaza will be the location for a fund-raiser for the West County Education Fund's (Ed. Fund) grants to the West County School District teachers and schools. The fund-raiser will be held Sept. 4, 5 and 6 at 3080 El Cerrito Plaza. Present a flier announcing the event and 20 percent of what is purchased will be donated to the Ed. Fund. The fliers are available at City Hall, at San Pablo and Manila avenues.

For information, call 510-233-1464.

Ed. Fund offers grants large and small

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The West County School District's Public Education Fund (the Ed. Fund) is offering \$500 mini-grants, \$1,000 schoolwide grants and a \$2,500 special education grants. All teachers, parents, students or other employees working with teachers may apply for the mini-grants. Principals or teams of at least three teachers may apply for schoolwide grants and the special education grant.

Principals and teachers who received Ed. Fund grants during the 2002/2003 school year must submit their grant evaluations for those grants no later than Sept. 24, 2003 to be eligible for 2003/2004 grants. The 2003/2004 grants will focus on development of literacy and math skills, physical fitness and good nutrition, student community involvement and leadership, special education, and arts integration into the curriculum. All projects must clearly be standards-based. Applications can be found on the school district Web site at www.wccusd.k12.ca.us/grants/index.html, through the principal or school secretary or can be obtained by calling 510-233-1464.

Applications must be postmarked no later than Wednesday, Oct. 1.

All applicants must send the original and 4 copies to The Ed Fund, 5 Alvarado Square, San Pablo, CA 94806.

Art, culture panel holds first meeting

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The El Cerrito Art and Culture Commission held its first meeting on Aug. 21. The seven-member commission selected Marge Collins chairwoman. The group talked about potential projects it could discuss at its next meeting, the law pertaining to such a commission and what its duties would be. The group also decided it would meet the third Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 7007 Moeser Lane. Commissioners include Eve Ma, Reyell Daystar, Kathleen Glenn, Pam Fingado, Arlin Robins and Mark Canepa. The City Council authorized the creation of the commission to make recommendations to the council about art and culture-related topics in the city in March.

LWV sets September meeting

The general membership meeting of the League of Women Voters, Richmond Area, will take place at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 16 at El Cerrito Royale, 6510 Gladys Ave., El Cerrito, 3d floor meeting room. We shall be focusing on the October ballot issues. Catherine Daly, a private attorney representing clients in employment discrimination cases, and former intern with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, will speak on the possible consequences of Prop. 54, the Ward Connerly "racial privacy" initiative. The governor recall also promises to be a lively topic, say organizers, who invite the public to attend.

Golf charity event was all fund and games

The Dynamo Golf Open Fund-raiser held earlier this week raised about \$8,400 for El Cerrito senior and youth programs.

About 84 people participated in the round of golf, lunch and raffle held Aug. 25, at the Mira Vista Country Club. There were 30 business who acted as sponsors. The annual event raises money for the David Hunter Memorial Scholarships and the city's "Open House" Senior Center. The money raised was "close to the same (as last year)," said recreation director Monica Kortz. "It think we made a little more last year, but based on the economy, we're pretty pleased." Kortz added that she hoped people will sign up for next year's fund-raiser. For information, call 510-215-4370.

Retreat expects well-healed turnout

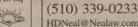
Those in need of some spiritual relaxation are invited to take part in healing retreat offered by the Tibetan Yungdrug Bon Institute, with rites being performed in sessions this weekend and next. The Nam-Jom Jhab-Trub retreat will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. tonight and 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Aug. 30 and 31 at the Dzogchen Community West Center, 2748 #D Adeline St. in Berkeley. For details call 510-526-2343.

The institute will have a Tse-Drub and Tse-Wang retreat from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sept. 5-7 at the Veterans Memorial Association of El Cerrito, 6401 Stockton St. in El Cerrito. Cost is \$150 at the door, or \$70 for the Sunday-only empowerment and healing blessing.

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EL CERRITO POLICE

Monday, Aug. 11

■ VEHICLE THEFT — A Dodge Ca avan was stolen from Keaney Street and Conion Avenue, with a red and black 2001 Honda RC51 motorcycle inside the vehicle.

Friday, Aug. 15

- BURGLARY Miscellaneous items, including petty cash, were taken from the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce building at 10848 San Pablo Ave. sometime between 6 p.m on Aug. 15 and 10 a.m. the next day. A rear window was shattered.
- VEHICLE RECOVERY A stolen
 1989 Toyota Camry was recovered in
 the parking lot of Jack in the Box at 8
 a.m. by a police officer. It was stolen
 in Antioch on Aug. 9.
- VEHICLE THEFT A gray 1987
 Toyota truck was taken from the ta truck was taken from the 10 block of San Pablo Avenue etime between 4 p.m. on Aug. 15 11:45 a.m. the next day.
- VECHICLE BURGLARY A window was shattered and a blue bag was taken from a vehicle on the 900 block of Pomona Avenue sometime between 6:50 and 7:15 a.m.

Saturday, Aug. 16

- VEHICLE RECOVERY A stole 1984 Honda Accord was recovered
- of Mira Visita Drive at 2:36 a.m.,

 ATTEMPTED BURGLARY A at tempted burglary occurred at a building on the 11200 block of San Pablo Avenue sometime between 7 p.m. or Aug. 18 and 10 a.m. on Aug. 18. The burglar managed to open a window

and enter the building but the alarm went off and there was no loss.

Sunday, Aug. 17

- VEHICLE RECOVERY A stole Honda Accord was recovered in fro of Albertsons at El Cerrito Plaza. The vehicle had been reported stolen the
- VEHICLE THEFT A white 2000 Honda Civic was stolen from El Cer-rito Plaza sometime between noon and 4 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 18

■ VEHICLE THEFT — A 1991 Toy Camry was stolen from the 5700 block of Fern Avenue sometime be tween 8:45 and 9:05 p.m. While El Cerrito police were taking a report

■ VEHICLE BURGUE

■ VEHICLE THEFT. Civic was taken from the 900 block of Libe time between 6:15 at

Wednesday,

■ VEHICLE RECOVE

ALBANY POLICE

Wednesday, Aug. 20

- CAR STOLEN At about 10 a.m a resident on the 1500 block of Al-bany Terrace called to report that du
- wounc call again later in the day.

 CLOTHES THIEF At about 2:30
 p.m. a subject described as a black
 male adult wearing a hat and red
 shoes stole clothing from a children's
 store on the 1200 block of Solano Avenue. The thief was last seen running
 south on Talibot Avenue and getting
 into a white Toyota driven by a temale. They were gone when officers
 arrived.
- LICENSE PLATE STOLEN During the night thieve stole the rear license plate off a beige '90 Honda Accord that was parked on the 700 block of Talbot Avenue. There were

Thursday, Aug. 21

- GARBAGE DUMPED A red dent on the 1000 block of Ramon Avenue reported that during the r
- RESTRAINING ORDER VIOLA-TION At about 7:15 p. m. of 19

Friday, Aug. 22

- OUTSTANDING WARRANT At
- SAN FRANCISCO WARRANT At about 2:30 p.m. officers stopped a white '84 Volvo near Dartmouth Stree

Saturday, Aug. 23

- BERKELEY JAIL At about 2:15 a.m. officers contacted a man in a blue '88 Honda at the top of Taft
- CREDIT CARD THEFT A Berl

Sunday, Aug. 24

- CAR STOLEN Thieve stole a gold Mazda during the night that was parked at 555 Pierce St. There were
- STOLEN LICENSE PLATES Of flages investigated a white '93 Ford

■ WALLET AND CELL STOLEN — At about?

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ALBANY PTA NEWS

Albany PTA Council

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Albany Middle School

The caption with the photo in last week's Journal of Albany's Summer Days and Nights street festival should have said that the festival repeated on Aug. 23, Saturday, only.

The Aug. 22 front-page story about the El Cerrito city manager receiving a raise misquoted resident Peter Loubal. Loubal said the manager painted a rosy picture of city finances so he could get a raise before people realized that the city could not afford a new city hall, movie theater, library an improved infrastructure, without raising taxes.

PIPPEN HILL

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SERVICES for Children director and Albany resident Shannan Wilber, seen here in her San

seco, office, has been recognized by the United States Bar Association for her work advocating

with in the juvenile justice system.

awyer honored for work with kids

National award comes to any resident who runs en's nonprofit legal

as children who are accused of a crime.

In addition, Legal Services argues for rehabilitating the juvenile justice system.

"A lot of the work I've been involved in is improving practices in locked facilities, making sure children are adequately represented by attorneys, making sure services are geared toward young people and helping them rehabilitate rather than locking them up and throwing away the key," Wilber said.

said.

She added the system is underfunded and is failing to do its job: Rehabilitating those who are convicted of crimes.

She disagrees with those who feel a "tough on crime" approach should be directed at children as well as adults.

"It sure costs a lot less to develop really good community-

fellowship, and worked for an Asian art professor. "It was a lot of work," she says, "But it gave me a certain advantage in the field."

urator oversees Cal's Asian art collection

life or state prison for life," she said.

After graduating from Michigan State University, Wilber worked as a social worker but got burned out. Feeling she could make a bigger impact as a lawyer, she went to law school at Santa Clara University.

In 1990, five years after earning her law degree, she became first directing attorney at Legal Advocates for Children and Youth in Santa Clara County.

She moved to the East Bay in 1992 and worked nine years at the Youth Law Center, a national organization involved in juvenile justice.

In 2001, she became the exec-

CLARA-RAE GENSER

became her husband was her tutor. They also studied Russian.
With no jobs and no schools,
they had a difficult time. China
finally opened up in 1978-79.
Her husband had relatives in
New Jersey who sponsored
them. A friend was able to get a
scholarship for him, and he went
first. The government wouldn't
let her go until nine months
later. When she got a scholarship, they studied at Augustina
University in Illinois. Both
earned master's degrees, after
which she was given a fellowship and he a teaching-assistant
position.
With daughter Angela, they

With daughter Angela, they now live in Albany.

Mourning the passing of a truly loving woman

OME PEOPLE REALLY DESERVE their names. Gray Davis is an obvious example. So was Joy Napier. She was the wife of the Rev. B. Davie Napier, former president of the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley. Joy died a few weeks ago from complications following a stroke, robbing the world of one of its brightest spirits.

bing the worth of one of the brightest spirits.

I loved her like a mother, and I'm not the only one. So did everyone who attended PSR from 1972 to 1977, when Davie was president. Ditto for everyone who went to Stanford during the late '60s and early' '70s, when Davie was dean of the chapel. Ditto for everyone who lived in Calhoun College at Yale in the mid-'60s and again the '80s, when Davie was the master of the college.

Her capacity for kindness was bottomless, especially to students who were homesick or feeling left out.

"Every year, she and Davie would memorize the names and faces of all the incoming students before the term began," recalls Doug Adams, professor of Christianity and the Arts at PSR. "That way, they could hail the newcomers by name on the first day, 'Hi, Mike!"— or 'Hi, Phi!!' or 'Hi, Margaret!"— 'Welcome to PSR!"

But it was at her afternoon teas that Joy really shone. Whether at PSR, Stanford or Yale, the menu was always the same: Constant Comment tea, finger sandwiches (with the crusts cut off), and sherry liberally flowing.

"The sherry was important," says Adams. "Whenever the Jesuits threw a party, everyone would attend because they have the best bar in town. But nobody ever came to our parties because our previous president used to be a Methodist, and he was a teetotaler. Joy changed all that."

She was also great one-on-one. One of my college roommates died from leukemia, and I well remember the tact and consideration with which the Napiers helped him and his family during the ordeal.

Both she and Davie trace their families back to long lines of Congregationalist ministers, with abolitionists and veterans of the Underground Railroad in their family trees. In the '50s and '60s, the Napiers supported the civil rights move-



MARTIN SNAPP

ment long before it became fashionable.

truly loved the Napiers because he sensed their innate goodness.

"Those were the days when college presidents were losing their jobs because they couldn't handle student protests," says Adams. "Davie and Joy didn't fight the movement; they became the movement, and the whole community came together around them."

She and Davie were childhood sweethearts, and they loved each other deeply until the day she died. But unlike some couples, their devotion to each other didn't make them an island unto themselves. They still had plenty of love left for other people.

Once, I was at their house, crying on their shoulders about breaking up with a girlfriend. They were very solicitous and sympathetic, and they filled me up with finger sandwiches and sherry.

But then Davie said sheepishly, "We'd like to be more help, but we really don't understand what you're going through. You see, Joy was the first person I fell in love with, and I was the first person she fell in love with. So we don't know what it feels like to have your heart broken."

Albany Vulcified School District has been running for the past 11 years.

The work program teaches special education students ages 12 through 18 vocational skills.

Students also are sent with a job coach to a business in the community where they receive on-the-job training while working alongside regular employees. Klugman said the program thanks these offices that opened their doors to the students this summer: Macaroni Grill, Petco, Barnes & Noble, Sizzler, Royal Cafe, Albany Police Dept., Flowerland, and the Albany Chamber of Commerce.

Roxanne Chen, of Albany, Calif., won \$500 in a recipe contest sponsored by Pace
Foods. Chen's recipe was chosen among hundreds of other recipes submitted on www.pacefoods.com.

She is now qualified for the grand prize, a \$20,000 outdoor kitchen, consisting of a built-in stainless steel grill, patic furniture, lighting, landscaping, patio materials, construction and plumbing. The grand prize winner will be awarded in December.

Chen's original recipe entry,





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EDITORIAL Kids need their parents

PARENTS OF TEENS don't have to be told how difficult the job is. It just doesn't seem possible to keep up with all the emotions they're going through, all the activities they're involved in, their likes and dislikes — this week. But recent surveys have touted the importance of parental involvement in their children's lives. They suggest that whether you succeed or fail at keeping up, you have to try, because it makes a difference. Here's the deal, according to a survey by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse:

Kids whose parents talk to them about drugs are less likely to do drugs.

Kids who are not bored are less likely to do drugs.

■ Kids who are not bored are less likely to do drugs.

But don't overschedule them; because kids who are overstressed are more likely to do drugs.

• Kids with a religious foundation are less likely to do

Kids with too much pocket money are potential drug-

As long as you're talking to them anyway, you parents might as well discuss the negatives of tobacco and alcohol. Also share your beliefs on teenage sex. Parents who have told their teens it's better for them to wait are more likely to have kids who wait until they are older.

Communication is a remarkable thing, even when it appears to be going just one way.

Another survey one by the American Dietetic Association.

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Another survey, one by the American Dietetic Association, showed that most parents are unaware of what their children are eating each day. Kids who have an option of choosing healthy meals choose fast food and vending machine junk daily, sometimes multiple times in a day, and parents are clueless. No wonder they're shocked that Johnny is fat — oops, husky. That may seem minor, not knowing what your kid is eating, but it is indicative of how little parents know about their children's behavior. It shows how little time some parents are spending with their progeny and how uninvolved they are in their offspring's lives.

Yet, for children to grow into well-adjusted, productive adults, they need parents to do their duty while the youths can still be influenced. And they are sponges, easily influenced, highly susceptible to peer pressure, unless they have the voice of authority, parents, ringing in their heads. They need their parents' time and input. And amazingly, surveys find, most kids want to spend more time with their families than with their friends. Although they are spreading their wings and testing their boundaries, they still need those boundaries and feel safer within them.

Many parents are tired just thinking about all the work

wings and testing their boundaries, they still need those boundaries and feel safer within them.

Many parents are tired just thinking about all the work this means; they are frustrated, wondering how can they give them everything they need — time, advice, stress- and boredom-relievers, boundaries and one meal where they at least know what the kids ate, even if it's not particularly healthy. We're sure there's no magic elixir, but there is a remarkably easy and huge help: Share a daily meal.

Yep, one meal a day together and suddenly open communication, quality time, stress-relief, boredom extinguisher and more have a time and a place. Meal-time, and all that's a part of it, provides the perfect modeling time. It's a chance for the kids to watch, listen and learn from their parents. Guess what — they're doing it anyway. Parents are the No. 1 role model.

Not only do studies show it, but kids admit it in surveys. Parents are the most important people in children's lives. It's time parents strategize to do that job well.

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BACK TO SCHOOL BRINGS CONSTRUCTION STUDY ZONES



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The West Contra Costa school district has called a special election on Sept. 16 so that voters can consider whether or not they would like to pass yet another bond, Measure C, to fund yet more improvements and repairs to school buildings in the district.

The timing for this vote on this ballot measure is curious. Sept. 16 comes only seven weeks before the general election on Nov. 4.

School board member Charles Para

seven weeks before the general election on Nov. 4.

School board member Charles Ramsey has stated that this timing is crucial for the vote on this measure. In checking with the Contra Costa tax assessor's office, I learned that property tax bills must be in the hands of property owners no later than Nov. 1.

The voters have already approved Measures D, E, and M. With some of these bonds now sold off, our property taxes will surely increase.

Could it be the school board doesn't want us to see our property tax bills before we vote on Measure C? Could it be they don't want to shock us with the cost of what we have already voted in and, thus, cause us to vote the measure down?

Laura Pricco
El Cerrito

Roadblocks to maturity

The title character in the recent movie,
"Bruce Almighty," exemplifies the selfmade hell that stems from getting caught
up in hierarchical thinking and its attendant ambition.

Now is a good time, I think, to revisit
the astute observations of Laurence J. Peter, whose "Principle" and "Prescription"
pulled no punches and, I doubt, have ever
been disputed.

So many of us. to some extent, have

pulled no punches and, I doubt, have ever been disputed.

So many of us, to some extent, have bought and become hooked on the illusory value of caring more about what we do and what we have, than how we live while simply being who we are. The result of this is an overabundance of self-consciousness and superficiality in our society that blocks the way to maturity and humility.

Someday, the social hierarchy will be annihilated because enough people will have recognized that it was created out of ignorance. Then, janitors and news broadcasters will receive respect and appreciation based on their contribution and the excellence with which it is performed.

Will you prefer to wait for the critical

and the excellence with white formed.
Will you prefer to wait for the critical mass to collect or be a part of it? Either way, see "Bruce Almighty" when it comes to video.

Ron Greenstein

Keep present site

Safety and cost must be considered in choosing the location for the new high school.

The present buildings are unsafe. Students should be in safe classrooms as soon as possible. Moving the school uphill writes a blank check for massive landfill, new athletic fields, and longer construction time — more money, more debts for taxpayers.

for taxpayers.

Police and fire department access, mixing El Cerrito High teens with elementary students, increasing traffic, and federal and state environmental issues are all likely to add cost and risk lives if

the high school is relocated from its pre-

sent site.

Do not allow your school bond funds to be used for landfill. Consider voters and taxpayers, as well as employees.

Geline Covey

Propaganda outlets

Propaganda outlets

Iraq War media coverage served primarily as propaganda outlets for official voices, according to a study of coverage by Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting. From the day after the invasion of March 19, the three-week study (March 20 to April 9) looked at on-camera sources appearing in stories about Iraq on the evening newscasts of ABC World News Tonight, CBS Evening News, NBC Nightly News, CNN's Wolf Blitzer Reports, Fox's Special Report with Brit Hume, and PBS' NewsHour with Jim Leher.

Nearly two-thirds of all sources, 64 percent, were pro-war, while 71 percent of U.S. guests favored the war. Anti-war voices were 10 percent of all sources, but only 3 percent of U.S. sources.

The study found viewers were more than six times as likely to see a pro-war source as one who was anti-war. Counting only U.S. guests, the ratio increased to 25 to one. U.S. military voices provided 88 percent of U.S. official sources.

Of a total of 840 U.S. sources who are current or former government or military officials, only four were identified as being anti-war. The percentage of Americans opposing the war was nearly 10 times higher in the real world than on the news.

Over-reliance on official sources leaves little room for independent policy critics or grassroots voices.

Dangerous chemicals

Thank you, Governor Davis for signing landmark legislation (AB 302) that will limit toxic chemical use in California by banning two forms of a toxic flame retardant chemical linked to brain dameters.

retardant chemical linked to brain damage.

Known as poly-brominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs), these chemicals are added to computers, televisions, automotive interiors and upholstered furniture to slow the spread of fire. Non-toxic alternatives are available but are used only by some manufacturers.

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Diversionary tactics?

Blackout a-la-Bush

George W. Bush hastily biam Aug. 14 blackout on an "antiquational electrical grid that he col." needs to be modernized."
But those are code words for ministration's destructive past part to eliminate state and regional over the siting of major power him. The problem isn't the grid-ruling GOP's antiquated energy. That policy has directly encourage ing energy consumption, while ding conservation incentives. It has aggravated the evident global and

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JULIE WINKELSTEIN

Foreign substances found inside books have included pizza, cake and, memorably, a smashed snail.

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So, what else is done to library books? Well, they can be coffee-stained, water-damaged – sometimes they are returned still dripping – and have the corners of the book chewed by animals. Auto mechanic books come back greasy and cookbooks return stained by food.

Another category for dam-

Another category for dam-aged items is those that have been "home repaired" ("Mend-ing guidelines," again). This in cludes the taping and gluing o books and the dissection of

READER REVIEW: Today's

Garth Nix.

This book, for ages 12 and up, is about "a necromancer called Sabriel who needs to rescue her father from the dead."

Reach librarian Julie Winkel-stein at jwinkelstein@acli-brary.org or at the Albany Li-brary.

Keeping fit is not just a physical condition

Q: Two of my friends have "lost it." One of them has already moved into a nursing home, and the other one's wife is strongly considering that he needs to be cared for in a similar institution. I don't want to lose my ability to care for myself! What can I do?

A: A number of recent newspaper articles have discussed the fears of older adults at the prospect of spending their final years in a nursing home. I can understand those fears; many nursing homes are less than inviting, to put it mildly, and thoughts of little or no stimulation, and the resulting boredom, are daunting.

The predominant solution put forth by these older individuals with respect to the nursing-home problem has been, almost without exception, suicide. Suicide. I can also understand the hopelessness behind this reasoning, and, in an extraordinary situation, might even agree with it, but nobody who wrote these articles even considered a realistic, positive approach to helping stop the losses that push the elderly toward nursing home care facilities.

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The reason for entering such a care facility involves the loss of ability to care for one's self. Many older adults could avoid the cognitive decline that leads to this loss of abilities necessary to perform the activities of daily living. Daily routines such as eating, bathing, dressing and walking have been shown to be retained more frequently and for a longer period of time by individuals who are mentally active and who make a special effort to have a regular regimen of mental exercise.

It has been discovered that there is a direct correlation between a decline in cognitive abilities and a loss in activities of daily living.

A rigorous program of mental exercise can reverse cogni-

of daily living.
A rigorous program of mental exercise can reverse cognitive decline. Research indicates that individuals of any age can learn. Advancing years and the accompanying belief that "I'm just too old to learn," play no part in rebuilding cognitive skills.



CONNIE LYNCH, Ph.D

long sedentary period.

Renewed physical exercise is tiring and takes time before progress can be measured. The effort required to begin thinking once more, and learning in a productive fashion, may also be somewhat exhausting. Still, a proper approach that involves starting at a realistic level can produce remarkable progress in a relatively short time. Start with simple puzzles, for example, or take up a new hobby. It is well worth the effort.

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is well worth the effort.

Consider the remarkable results of appropriate positive mental action toward helping cognitive loss. They include increased awareness and better memory, improved communication and problem solving ability. Together they can help you retain or resume control of your own life. Independence is a wonderful, supremely valued condition for older adults and is also a distinct possibility.

So when you are feeling low

Is also a distinct possibility.

So when you are feeling low and the temptation to consider suicide enters your mind, give thoughts first to trying a more positive approach. Avoid a nursing home and suicide. You can improve the quality of your life by thinking and by learning.

Opinion

Understanding the dream, 40 years later

By Denisha M. DeLane

NAACP NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTOR

TH THE 40th anniver
sary of the March on
Washington coming
Aug. 28, much has been made
about Martin Luther King Jr.'s

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"dream." which is but
four minutes of a 16-minute address, neatly and conveniently
overshadows not only the 12
minutes proceeding it but the
reasons for the 1963 event.

Time has a unique way of altering our understanding of reality. The past 40 years have transformed the March on
Washington into an homage to
King, but it was much more than
that. The March on Washington
was the vision of labor leader A.
Phillip Randolph. It was born
out of the frustration at the
grass-roots level of the statesanctioned apartheid in the
South and the Neanderthal pace
of the Kennedy Administration
to respond to it.

To understand King's dream
is to come to terms with 1963 as
a defining moment in our nation's history. Alabama Governor
George Wallace began the year
with his infamous inaugural address, "Segregation today, segregation tomorrow, segregation
forever." Birmingham Police
Commissioner Eugene "Bull"
Conner, with his police dogs and
fire hoses, became an international symbol for evil.

It was the year that NAACP
field secretary Medgar Evers
was gunned down, four young
black girls were killed when a
pipe bomb went off before Sunday services at a Birmingham
church, and President John F.
Kennedy was assassinated. But
somewhere amid the confusion
of 1963, 250,000 people — representing myriad races, backgrounds and ethnicities — gathered, galvanized by what
America could be, rather than
what it had become.

To understand King's dream is
to come to terms with how the
victims were viewed as the perpertators. Those who systematically had their human rights denied were the ones the Kennedy
Administration feared most as
they assembled on the nation's
capitol Aug. 28, 1963. Is it not
strange to think some 40 years
later that those who simply
wanted America to make good
on its promise of life, liberty and
the pursuit of happiness were
also the ones the Kennedy Administration felt kennedy Administration felt would be pron
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derstanding the dream is to understand what gave rise to the dream.

I submit that collectively we make a grave historical error in looking at the dream from the perspective of a 34-year-old the-ologian addressing 250,000 in the August humidity of a Washington, D.C., afternoon. The elements that gave rise to the dream in 1963 now keep it alive some 40 years later.

The courageous efforts exemplified by those who dared to conduct sit-ins, protests and marches in peaceful, nonviolent defiance became strength to movements around the world. In that dream were the liberation of Harriet Tubman and Frederick Douglas, the fatigue of Rosa Parks and Fannie Lou Hamer, the martyrdom of Emmet Till along with Goodman, Schwerner and Chaney. The dream included the student rebellions of Greensboro, Montgomery and Birmingham. It became the perseverance of Nelson Mandela and the inspiration to so many gay and lesbian brothers and sis-

LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

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The Albany Library will hold its first September First Thursday, Sept. 4 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Edith Stone Room, featuring Alice Templeton.

Poet, songwriter and teacher Alice Templeton has published poems in Poetry, 88, Puerto del Sol, and elsewhere. Her other works include a critical study of Adrienne Rich's poetics, The Dream and the Dialogue, and two CDs with the band Outskirts, "Running from the Rescue" (1994) and "Unraveled" (1998).

Second Wednesdays are drop-in poetry writing workshops, for all ages, led by Alison Seevak. In September, this event is Sept. 10 from 7 to 9 p.m., also in the Edith Stone Room.

Second Saturdays are drop-in Poetry Writing Workshops for grades four through eight, also led by Alison Seevak. September's event is Saturday, Sept. 13 from 2 to 4 p.m. All three events are free and ongoing. Light refreshments will be served.

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- Jewish Family and Children's Services of the East Bay offers the following community support groups.

 Divorce Support Group: Pre-registration required. Wednesday evenings, Jewish Family & Children's Services the East Bay in Walnut Creek. Call Dr. Carla Haimowitz at 925-927-2000.
- Bereavement Support Groups: No harge. Pre-registration required. ednesdays, 4:30-6 p.m., JFCS/East ay in Berkeley, 510-704-7480 ext. 968. hursdays, 3-4:30 p.m., JFCS/East Bay Walnut Creek, 925-927-2000 ext. 740.

tion, call NAMI-East Bay at 510-524-

- Ridley at 510-204-4503.

 The Sacred Voice, a cancer support group, led by Shira Stone MFT, uses the tones in the voice to induce states that are beyond words. Participants join voices with others to bring harmony and balance the body, quietness to the mind, integration of feelings, and an experience of connection to the Source of all healing. This free group meets weekly from 10:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. at 2551 Derby, Redwood Gardens, in Berkeley, Pre-register with Shira at 510-843-1677.
- Grandparent Support Group meets from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., the second Thursday every month at the Malcolm X Elementary Arts and Academics School,

- Alta Bates Medical Center, 3001
 Dwight Way, offers support group
 classes for stroke survivors and their
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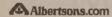
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Modest by nature, Kent is renowned for his diplomatic skills — his ability to forge compromise from disparate viewpoints so projects can move forward and achieve success. Recalling Kent's adroit handling of contentious meetings on controversial topics, Radke said, "Jerry would absorb all the negativity and turn it into a positive to resolve the issue."

Kent also is renowned for his encyclopedic knowledge of the nuts and bolts of park district operations. "He's made a huge, huge contribution to the district," Radke said. "He leaves a very lasting legacy."

Kent and his wife, Lola, live in Lafayette. They have two adult children and two grandchildren.

in Lafayette. They have two adult children and two grand-children.

Kent's last day on the job will be Aug. 31. His successor is John Escobar, formerly with the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District. In retirement, Kent plans to relax and enjoy the outdoor recreational resources he has played such a significant role in creating and preserving. I know I join the park district staff and the public in thanking Kent for his many years of exemplary service, and wishing him well in all his future activities.

Labor Day

If you are considering a camping trip anywhere during the Labor Day weekend, including regional park campgrounds, it's probably already too late unless you've made reservations. All the regional park campsites are booked. However, you don't have to travel great distances to enjoy the holiday. There are plenty of activities scheduled in the regional parks, within convenient driving distance of home.

■ Black Diamond's under-

ground Greathouse Visitor
Center will be open from 10
a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday,
Sunday and Monday of Labor
Day weekend.

A bit farther afield, Ardenwood Historic Farm in Fremont will host its annual Historic Rail Fair from 10 a.m. to 4
p.m. on Saturday through Monday, Aug. 30 to Sept. 1, Labor
Day weekend. Activities include horse-drawn train rides,
local railroad history exhibits,
model railroads, and a simulated hobo camp. Parking is
free. Admission is \$7.50 for
adults, \$5.50 for seniors, \$5 for
children and free for youngsters under 4. Call 510-7960663 for information. The park
is on Ardenwood Boulevard
just north of Highway 84 (the
Dumbarton Bridge approach).

Also on Labor Day at Ardenwood, park supervisor and
home brewer extraordinaire Ira
Bletz will make a batch of
honey-wheat ale using ingredients grown at Ardenwood. The
program lasts from 1 to 3 p.m.
Monday, Sept. 1. Adults will be
able to sample Ira's product,
kids will be able to sip some
homemade root beer.

In general, all the regional
parks will be open on Labor
Day, with picnic tables available on a first-come, firstserved basis. Arrive early if you
want to assure a place, especially at parks with swim areas.
Labor Day is always a high-attendance holiday in the regional parks.

If you don't get a table, it's
OK to picnic on a blanket on
lawn areas. Portable barbecues
are allowed, but only on turfgrass away from bushes and
dry grass. Please be careful
with fire, and dispose of barbecue coals only in the concrete
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ends with Jerry Kent's retirement | Holiday events labor for delight of visitors

Holiday even:

Ror The LAST decade, our Labor Day weekends have been spoken for. This year is no exception. Mary Ann and I will join other revelers in a merry frolic called the Sonoma Valley Harvest Wine Auction.

Local charities profit from a whirlwind weekend of winery dinners, special wine tastings, a zany celebrity golf tournament and a lively auction where as much laughter is raised as money. The Sonoma Valley Vintners and Growers Alliance (www.sonomavalleywine.com) has adopted a Mardi Gras theme for this year's bacchanal.

The alliance, by the way, is a great year-round resource for gathering good information before planning a wine country getaway. Here's a tip. Always check their events' calendar to see if something special is happening while you're there. It can add to the enjoyment of your stay. Plus, the local wine community is a great bunch of people and they love parties.

One of these years, though, we are going to break with tradi-



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ets and festival admission. They sail from Pier 41 at Fisherman's Wharf in San Francisco directly to the festival pier in Sausalito.
Golden Gate Transit (415-455-2000) offers service from the Ferry Building at the foot of Market Street in downtown San Francisco and sails to and from the Sausalito Ferry Landing.
While ferry boats work best for getting to Sausalito, hiking boots or horse are suitable means of transportation to get to the Kings Mountain Art Fair (www.kingsmountainartfair.com). This well-respected Labor Day event is celebrating its 40th anniversary. To be honest, until I learned about the festival, I had no idea where Kings Mountain was located.
Kings Mountain is a 15-mile stretch of redwood forest along Highway 35 from Highway 92 in San Mateo south to Bear Gulch

Road. Just above the town of Woodside is the forested ground of the Kings Mountain Community Center and Firehouse.

Some 400 families call this bucolic area home and almost a participate in this event that raises money for the volunteer fire brigade and other community services. Like the Sausalito Art Festival, this is a juried art fair that is known for its unique and varied works. Unlike Sausaito, admission is free. Besides tharray of art, there's activities for kids and the prerequisite food and drink. But remember it's at 2,250 feet elevation and weather can be unpredictable.

I wish both these venerable art festivals good fortune this year, as well as the charity auction. And, I am probably telling myself this more than you, but really doesn't require a festival party to come up with good excuse to visit Sonoma Valley, Sausalito or Kings Mountain.

Nice to know we can do that any old time. Cheers.

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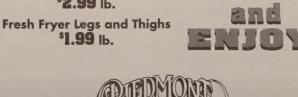
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TWO OF THE CARS hit by a runaway dump truck Tuesday sit crumpled Richmond Street at Moeser Lane.

Truck

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Shaheed Ansaurallah, the driver of another car struck by the truck, was at Highland Hospital in Oakland with a broken arm

Truck loses brakes, careens down hill

As it hurtled down steep Moeser
Lane in EI Cerrito, a dump truck
struck four vehicles before it crashed
into a house
The dump truck first struck an SUV
containing four people, which caused
the SUV to clip a Land Rover
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a parked pickup truck before
crushing a Honda crossing Moeser
on Richmond Street. The dump truck
smashed into an SUV carrying a
man and a child
Finally, the truck sheared off a power



the people injured in the accident.

"'How is everybody doing, Dad?' "Sharma said his son asked.

El Cerrito police and California Highway Patrol investigators began reconstructing the crash as crews continued to remove rubble at the house Wednesday. Police had not determined the cause, said El Cerrito police Cmdr. Scott Mosby.

"We don't know what the problem was with the truck," Mosby said. "The CHP sent out a team to determine what happened mechanically."

The first collision came at Moeser and Navellier Street beside Portola Middle School where the truck struck a silver Lexus SUV carrying the 11-year-old boy, his younger brother, their mother and another person, whom authorities did not identify.

The truck careened three

mother and whom authorities did not identify.

The truck careened three blocks down Moeser, shoving an unoccupied white pickup truck parked near Richmond Street into the roadway.

The dump truck ran over the rear of Muhammad Nauman's gold-colored Honda as it crossed Moeser on Richmond, then slammed into a second SUV, knocking it into 82-year-old Catherine Sutherland's house at Moeser and Richmond, Fajardo said.

bows.

Police at first did not see anyone in the truck but then heard him screaming for help and pulled him away from the wreckage.

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"They said he's going to be OK," the worried father said.
The clocks at Portola Middle School stopped at 1:26 p.m.—four minutes before the first day of school was to end, Principal Melanie Spears said.
"We still had a few more minutes. No children were out on the street," Spears said. "We followed our emergency plan and everything went pretty smoothly, except for the unfortunate incident out in the street."

The 1991 Kenworth dump truck weighed nearly 11 tons empty, said CHP Sgt. Wayne Ziese.
El Cerrito police say the city

Ziese.

El Cerrito police say the city prohibits trucks weighing more than eight tons on Moeser Lane, a steep road leading to a neighborhood near the edge of Wildcat Canyon Regional Park.

An overweight truck on Moeser Lane would be subject to citation; Mosby said officers regularly enforce traffic laws in the area and rarely encounter trucks

too large for the narrow, twisting street. Gene Pires, manager of E.J. Pires Trucking in Gilroy, said Kapil Sharma is a subcontractor who owns his own truck. The company, however, owns the dump body on the truck, Pires said.

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Sharma was working on a paving project in the Arlington Boulevard and Moeser area, and Moeser was the designated truck route, Pires said.

"That was the truck route given by the contractor," he said.

The city Wednesday halted the contract paving project.

"It's been one day and we want to see the results of the investigation and talk to contractors or staff and we'll evaluate if there is anything we can do in the future," said El Cerrito City Manager Scott Hanin.

"But there's nothing that jumped out at us that needs to be changed at this point."

Sharma's mother, Radha Sharma, said she thought her son just needed a ride when the hospital called Tuesday and the family never expected such a scene.

"We are just praying for whoever got hurt in this accident," she said.

Staff writers Alan Lopez and Rebecca Rosen-Lum con-tributed to this report.

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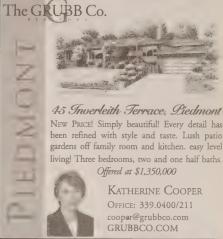
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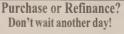






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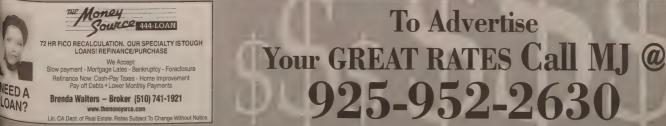
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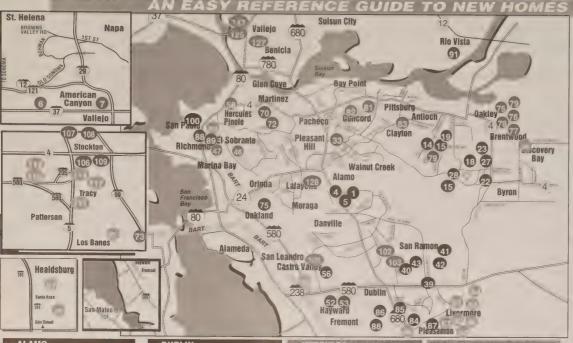
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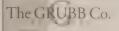
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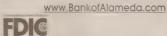
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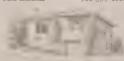
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BERKELEY — Any opponent with designs on running over Cal's inexperienced defense this season will have to navigate the

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Local teams advance to Jr. Olympics

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What took place between the foul lines in Ibiuna — a farming town about 35 miles outside
São Paulo —generated much interest. But as it was for the Rattlers and the 2002 Alameda
World squad, baseball was just a small part of the excursion.

Most of Alameda's contingent stayed at the Transamerica Flats Hotel in São Paulo.
The players and a couple adults, however, made the camp near the baseball fields in Ibiuna their home away from home during the tournament.

There, the Alameda players.

in Ibiuna their home away from home during the tournament.

There, the Alameda players shared the facility with the team from Italy.

"Our kids were very good interacting with the kids from the other teams," said Alameda group leader Bill Dal Porto, founder and organizer of the first World Tournament in 1982. "There was a Ping-Pong table and a pool table. We had to be bussed to the baseball facility a couple miles away."

The three-field baseball complex serves as the head-quarters for Brazil's national baseball team, and surely made an impression on all the teams involved in the tournament ("It's just a beautiful baseball facility," Dal Porto said).

São Paulo, though just a short distance away, seemed a world apart. In contrast to the bucolic Ibiuna, an Internet photo of São Paulo reveals a city with seemingly endless high-rises, one that appears to have little elbow room.

In the interest of fairness, there were many things to like about São Paulo. The adult contingent staying there often feasted on an assortment of barbecued meats at bargain prices ("For 30 of their reals, or 10

Alameda's defense was also sharp with double plays in the fifth and sixth to keep the game

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In the sixth, Alameda showed to wouldn't give up. Botello valked to start the inning, and steve Barbosa singled sharply to eft. Ryan Zimmerman was hit by the pitch to load the bases for binch-hitter Andy Lusk. Lusk tent the second pitch into center ield for an RBI single, keeping he bases loaded and cutting the apan lead to 5-2. Another run cored on Cody May's fielder's hoice. The score was now 5-3, and Alameda was still in it.

But in the seventh, Alameda aced another tough Japan fireballer and couldn't get things gong. Botello took the tough loss, cattering nine hits over seven nnings. He struck out four and tave up three earned runs.

World FROM PAGE 1

American dollars, you could eat like a king," Alameda general manager Ron Matthews said), Meanwhile, the players in Ibiuna made do with rice, fish and Brazil's most famous national dish, feijoada, a black bean stew. "The boys quickly got tired of that," Matthews said.

Overall, São Paulo — the largest city in South America and the industrial heart of Brazil — is a big city with bigcity problems.

For one thing traffic was horrendous in that city of an estimated 18 million inhabitants. On a Saturday, Matthews said, the chartered bus from São Paulo might reach Ibiuna in an hour. On a Monday — the start of the work week — the travel time was two hours.

The Bay Bridge commute, in contrast, seems like a piece of cake.

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The Bay Bridge commute, in contrast, seems like a piece of cake.

Congestion wasn't the only problem.

When we speak of Brazil — the world's fifth-largest nation — we often hear of the beauty of the country and its tropical nature. Though Brazil was experiencing its winter, temperatures were in the 80s. But there is another side to Brazil, a less-publicized facet that receives scant mention in most travel shows and brochures: Brazil's shantytowns, or favelas.

As in much of the world, there exists a huge gap between the haves and the havenots, economic disparities not as greatly visible in Alameda and throughout much of the East Bay.

"It was the best experience for the boys to be in a (developing) country," Matthews said. "The low-end poverty was stark. There was lots of it in São Paulo. It was an eye-opener for them."

Every place on earth, even our own beloved California, has its blemishes. And despite the overcrowding, congestion and the squalor of the favelas in São Paulo, Brazil still was a

Earlier action

positive experience for a group of East Bay residents.

Tournament play ended Aug. 16, but the Alameda contingent stayed on, traveling six hours by bus from São Paulo to the more publicized and romanticized Rio de Janeiro.

Much like New York and Los Angeles, a certain rivalry exists between the two Brazilian cities. For the Alameda contingent, though, the rivalry belonged only to the Paulistas and the Cariocas, the inhabitants of São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro, respectively.

While in Rio, the Alameda people saw the traditional sights — Sugarloaf Mountain, Copacabana and Ipanema beaches and the Christ the Redeemer statue that spreads its arms over the city.

"Getting to see Rio de Janeiro was the frosting on the cake," Dal Porto said. "It's a beautiful city."

Most of the Alameda contingent arrived back in California Aug. 20. Dal Porto and three other adults, however, stayed on a couple more days, taking in the Iguassú Falls that make up the Brazil-Argentina border. Dal Porto saw the falls — one of South America's great natural wonders — from both sides of the border.

"There's like 275 falls there," Dal Porto said. "They're definitely something to see."

Another World Tournament has come and gone. And a memorable trip it was, a winter excursion in shirt-sleeve weather.

played China Laipei, the secondplace team in the second division
in the other Aug. 15 semifinal.

Alameda 13, Korea 6: In
game four of pool play Aug. 12,
Alameda unleashed its bats to
come away with a victory. Mark
Rowland was the winning
pitcher, giving up four hits and
two runs and striking out seven
in five innings. David Salas came
on to pitch the final two innings
to seal the win.

Nick Botello continued his hitting steak, smacking an RBI double in the first inning, and then
added a two-run homer in the
seventh. Andy Lawson went 3for-4 with four RBI. Ruben Solis
also went 3-for-4, scoring three
runs. Cody May finished 2-for-3,
and Michael Taylor was credited
with a two-run a single to rightcenter.

After ripping a single to left,

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Earlier action

The Alameda World Team lost to undefeated Brazil 11-2 in the final game of pool play Aug. 13, but still advanced to the Championship Series.

Alameda needed to hold the Brazilians to 11 or fewer runs to advance past Mexico Rojo and Korea, which also ended pool play with 3-2 records.

Steve Barbosa started for Alameda and gave up three runs on three walks, an infield hit and a fielder's choice. In the second inning, Alameda gave up three unearned runs with two out, and found itself down 6-0. Brazil scored three more in the third, and two more in the fourth to make the scenario bleak for Alameda.

David Salas continued to battle on the mound after replacing Barbosa, and the tide began a slight turn. Alameda scored two runs in the fourth on back-to-back walks to Andy Lawson and tournament slugging leader Nick Botello. They both scored on Barbosa's sharp single to left. Salas kept the Brazil quiet through the fifth and sixth, and Ryan Zimmerman came in to finish the game in the seventh.

By keeping Brazil to 11 runs, nings. He struck out four and are up three earned runs.

China Taipel 11, Alameda 0: he following day, Alameda finshed the tournament in fourth lace after losing to a solid Chiese Taipei team. Japan won the burnament by beating homerowd favorite Brazil, 5-2.

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be in better shape to attain that perfect rush. His weight is up about 10 pounds from last season, weight that he calls "good weight." Last summer he added 10 pounds of bad weight by not eating right.
"I'm on a better diet now," he said.
Weight has been an issue for most of Alexander's life.
Weighing about 130 pounds when he was 8, Alexander never got to play youth football in his hometown of Oakland because he was too heavy. He would go to the signups with his cousins who played, but his weight would

have put him in a group of much older kids.

"When I was 9, I wanted to play with the Midgets, who were mostly 12," Alexander remembered. "But my mother (Stephanie Moore) wouldn't let me. She didn't think I was ready."

Those setbacks didn't stop Alexander from developing a love affair with football. He would accompany his uncle, Steve Moore, to games.
"He was a tagalong kid," said Dan Shaughnessy, who coached Alexander at St. Mary's High School in Berkeley. "Steve was his father figure and Lorenzo spent a lot of important time with him. He was a nice kid and you could tell at a very early age that he was very task-oriented."

Shaughnessy said Alexander

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this sequel.

"BEND IT LIKE BECKHAM": This ge-nial ethnic sports comedy directed by Gurinder Chadha was a big hit In Britain. Jess (Parminder Nagra) is the

Parkway Theater
1834 Park Blvd. Oakland 510-814-2400
•American Wedding (R) 9:45.
•Camp (PG-13) 6:30.
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•Whale Rider (PG-13) 9:15.

Piedmont Theatre
4186 Piedmont Ave, Oakland 510-654-2758
•American Spiendor (R) 12, 2:20, 4:40, 7,

9:35. ●Le Divorce (PG-13) 1:10, 3:50, 6:35, 9:20. ●Marci X (R) 10. ●The Medalilon (PG-13) 1:20, 4:05, 7:10,

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9:15. ●Stoked (NR) 12:35, 2:55, 5:10, 7:25, 9:25 ■Swimming Pool (R) 1:15, 4, 7:05, 9:45. ■Teknolust (R) 12:45, 3, 5:05, 7:20, 9:40.

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•Jeepers Creepers 2 (R) 12:30, 3:30, 7,

9:45. ●My Boss's Daughter 12:10, 2:45, 5:15,

•S.W.A.T. (PG-13) 1, 3:15, 5:45, 8:10,

Pirates of the Caribbean 12:15, 3:45, 7:30

•Secret Lives of Dentists (R) 12, 2:30, 5, 7:15,

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6330 Christie Ave. Emeryville 510-420-0492 •Dirty Pretty Things 1:30, 3:45, 5:55, 8:15, 10:30. •Freaky Friday 1:10, 3:25, 5:40, 7:55, 10:10.

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Renaissance Orinda Theatre

"PARTY MONSTER" (NR)
Macaulay Culkin, all grown up,
stars as a self-absorbed "club
kid" and party promoter who
murders his roommate, then ae
mits it on television. With Seth
Green

STOKED: THE RISE AND FALL

THIRTEEN" (R)
An unflinching look at the sometimes harsh world of a young girl
rying to fit in with the seventhgrade fast crowd in Los Angeles.
Co-written by then-13-year-old
Nikki Reed, who inspired the film

humor here, but there's also a sinking sense that you've seen much of it be-

Sydney. His timid father, Marlin, travels

When it's over, you may find yourself with a strong urge to eat some fole

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und St., Emeryville 510-457-4262 Wedding (R) 1:40, 4:40, 7:50,

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•Dirty Pretty Things (R) 12, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10.
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3519 Golden Gate Way., Lafayette 925-283-7997 •The Magdalene Sisters (R) 1:30, 4:15, 7,

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Century 16 Hilltop 3200 Klose Way, Richmond 510-756-2545

•Bad Boys II (R) 3:55, 7:10, 10:16.

•Finding Nemo (G) 12:05, 2:40.

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•28 Days Later (R) 7:30, 10:30. •American Wedding (R) 2:20, 5:05, 7:35, 10:05.

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Bridge Theatre

•Thirteen (R) 12, 2:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45.

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The Roxie Theatre *
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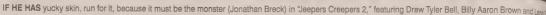
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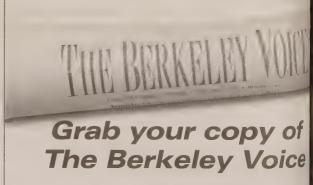


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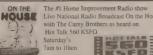
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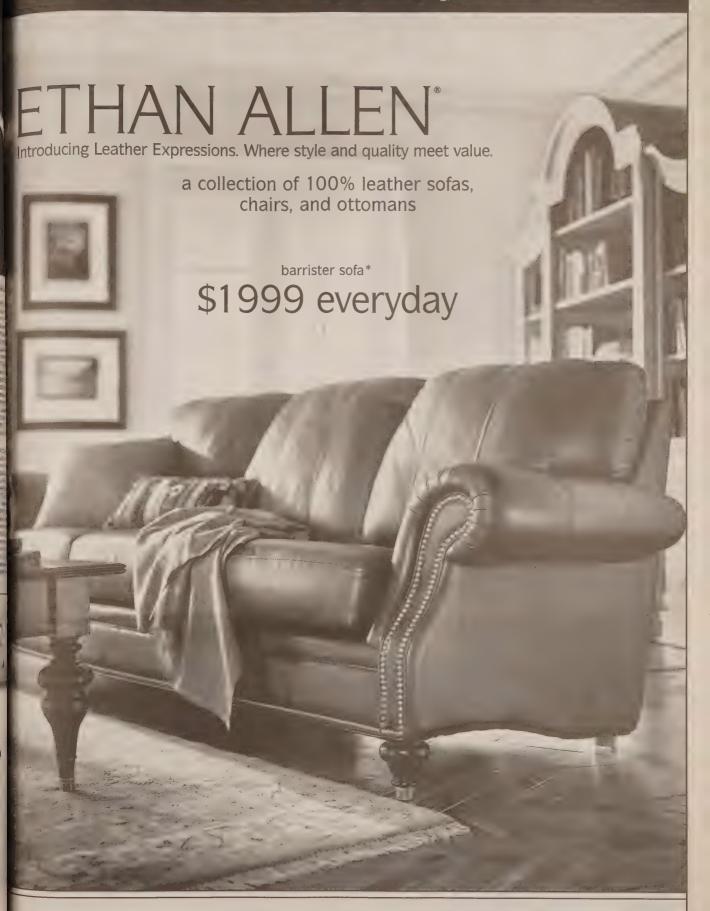
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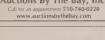
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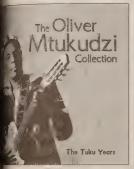
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TODD (Paul Plain) plans a very close shave for Judge Turpin (Bruce Steele) and Mrs. pelle Krapp) has plans of her own in the Alameda Civic Light Opera production of odd. For details see Jack Tucker's Community Theater column on page C12.









albums focus on particular countries and regions mbia" "Mexico" "Cape Verde" and "Puerto Rico") while are thematic ("Music From the Coffee Lands," "Afrolese Odyssey"). Putumayo is also devoted to American usic, with compilations focusing on blues and zydeco.

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CHIEF BROMDEN (Dejan Radovanovich) confers with his buddies Billy Bibbitt (Ali Allie) and Ral Patrick McMurphy (James Hiser) on ways to improve life in the insane asylum.

'Cuckoo's Nest' comes to Altarena

Altarena Playhouse has taken on a challenge with its production of, "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

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was first performed, director
Loretta Janca says theatrical performances of Cuckoo's Nest provoke discussion to this day.
"One of the difficult choices

'CUCKOO'S NEST'

in directing for community the-ater is deciding where to draw the line at what is considered ac-ceptable when presenting works of social significance to a patron audience," Janca says.

"There are elements of this play historically accurate at the time it was penned (medical pro-cedures now considered barbaric, and an ingrained, yet largely un-

challenged, cultural racism) that some community theaters choose to gloss over by updating the story or whitewashing certain characters for a more politically correct production.

But history is not politically correct, and to re-write theater is to re-write history."

Ken Kesey's allegory was adapted for the stage by Dale Wasserman.

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Recall good for one thing: comedy

T'S A SPLENDID time to be a comedian on TV (or a stand-up). It's too bad, however, that California itself has become a loke because of this ludicrous re-

Latitornia itself has become a looke because of this ludicrous recall election.

John Stewart and his "The Daily Show" on Comedy Central have become indispensable during this campaign/circus. Stewart invariably zeroes in on the election's major absurdities. His firstrate writing staff has dubbed Arnold Schwarzenegger "The Teutonic Plague." When Ah-nuld did a grade school photo-op and schoed one sixth-grader who oblutted out, "Say no to violence," Stewart stared bemusedly at the camera before finally intoning: "This is from the Terminator." (Pause for laughter). "Conan the Barbarian."

Jay Leno on NBC: "Arnold said made mode public his treasure."

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Promises was:
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in clear, honest, broken English."
 "Armoid has already been a
 big joke in comedy for 15 years,"
 says Colin Quinn, whose cable
 show follows Stewart's.
 One could reasonably argue
 that Arnoid's candidacy further
 makes a joke out of an electoral
 system already damaged in
 Florida three years ago. I suspect
 my wife's comments, "I'm em barrassed he's even running," is
 similar to many readers' feelings.
 This recall has also turned
 California's democratic/electoral
 process into a running joke in
 the national and international
 media. As one example, the
 "BBC World News" the other
 night had a long, interesting
 story about the history of California's recall process, tying it to
 the railroad barons of the late
 19th century and voters wanting
 to be able to toss out anyone
 who got too chummy with Le land Stanford, et al. But the Beeb
 piece ended with this line: "But
 one thing Californians can't
 stand is to be ignored."
 Which brings up the public
 and media's Two Californias per ception problem. Most people
 who don't live in this state have
 no idea how different Northern
 and Southern California are. It's
 hard to believe we're even in the
 same state with L.A. Few outside
 the state have any idea 90 per cent of Arnoid's votes will proba bly come from south of Santa
 Barbara. We're lumped together
 with Southern California by peo people in the media who either don't
 know any better or don't care.
 That's also embarrassing.
 This being said, even though I
 prefer Letterman's edgier com edy over Leno's, Letterman is
 based in New York and Leno has
 had the best recall material. For
 example: "It was in the McDon ald's drive-through lane, and the
 woman on the speaker said, for
 39 cents more I can run for gove romor." I also liked Leno's line
 that if another publicity-loving
 actor, has-been Gary Coleman,
 accepts Leno's invitation to a de based in

Shots not immune to influences

By Brian Kluepfel
CORRESPONDENT

"I like bluegrass and I like
Cajun, but I can only stand any
one of them for about 15 minutes!" says County Mayo-born
Barry Mullis.
Mullis' new combo, the
Shots, take to the stage armed
with accordions, guitars, mandolins and a range of influences
from Ireland to the Ozarks. For
a man who cites influences from
The Violent Femmes to Horslips,
it's important to mix it up.
"We don't get stereotyped as
an Irish band in the Bay Area
because it's fairly cosmopolitan," says Mullis. That may have
been more commonplace during his time living in Nottingham, England, but with the
Shots, it's a smorgasbord of
styles that keeps everyone in the
band interested.
"Our accordion player Dave
Laclergue just got back from
Galicia," says Mullis, noting the
breadth of the group's Celtic
range.

Recently added to the rootsy
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THE SHOTS consist of Barry Mullis (vocals/guitar/banjo/mandola/harmonica), Priscilla Boyle (upright bass / Backing vocals/low whistle), John Hiser (drums/percussion), and Dave Laclergue (upright bass / Backing vocals/low whistle (accordion/guitar/ percussion/saxophone)

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Putumayo celebrates a decade of world music

By Andrew Gilbert

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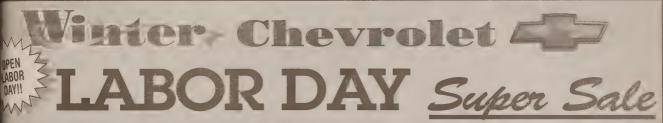
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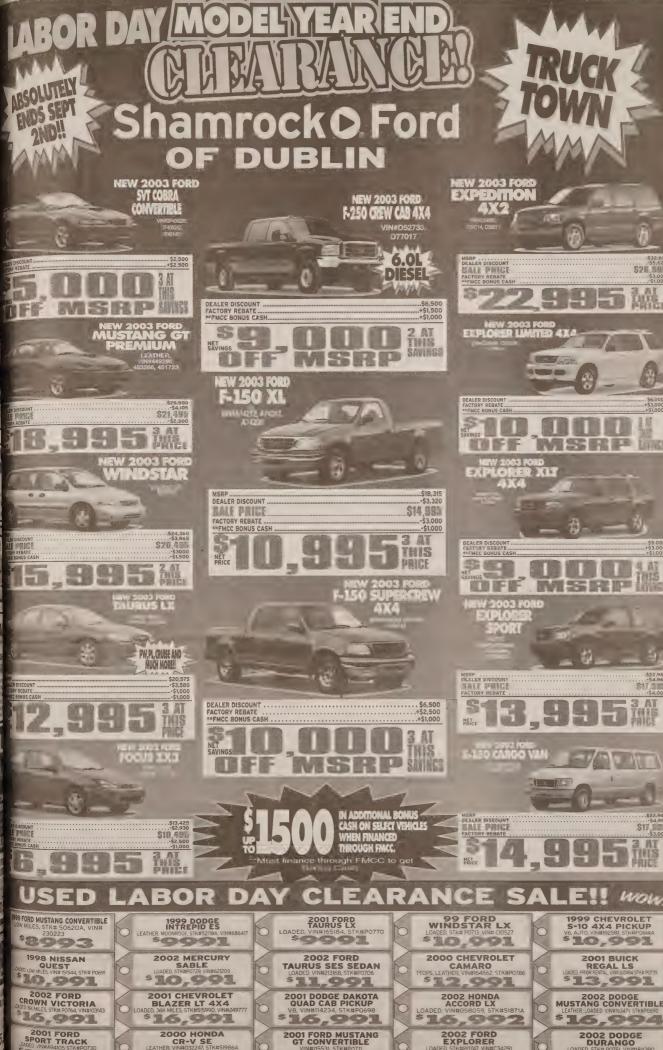






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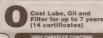
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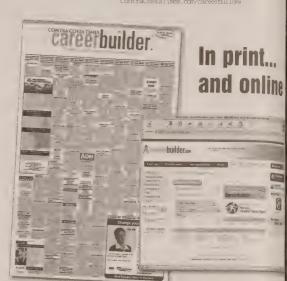
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were called fools. Many English
puddings like these evolved as a
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stale cake was drenched in liqueur
for moistening and covered with
fruit and cream. Martha Barnette's
book, "Ladyfingers and Nun's
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How Foods Got Their Names,"
explains that a fool was also called
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through antique shops and perhaps you'll find one with its own
history.

RASPBERRY LEMON TRIFLE
4 large eggs
1 cup plus 3 tablespoons sugar
Juice of 1 lemon
1 stick (½ cup) unsalted butter, room temperature
1 tablespoon grated lemon
1 package (7 ounces) ladyfingers, about 24
½ cup raspberry or orange
1 tablespoon grated lemon
2 plints fresh raspberries, a few
reserved for garnish
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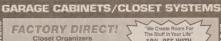
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% cup mayonnaise, divided
8 green onions, sliced
2 tablespoons white vinegar
½ teaspoon pepper
1 (10-ounce) package finely
shredded cabbage
% cup Dijon mustard
8 (1-inch-thick) rye bread
slices, lightly toasted
16 (%-ounce) Swiss cheese
slices

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16 ounces thinly sliced corned

slices
16 ounces thinly sliced corned beef
Stir together ½ cup mayonnaise and next 4 ingredients in a large bowl; stir in shredded cabbage, and set aside or chill until ready to serve.
Stir together mustard and remaining ½ cup mayonnaise.
Spread evenly on 1 side of each bread slice.
Layer evenly with 1 cheese slice and corned beef; top with remaining cheese slices.
Place on a baking sheet.
Bake at 450 degrees for 5 to 6 minutes or until cheese is meited.
Spoon colesiaw mixture evenly over cheese, and serve immediately.

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Prep time: 25 minutes, bake
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Note: Buy an unsliced loaf of
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CHOCOLATE-CREAM CHEESE
CUPCAKES

1 (18.25-ounce) package Swiss
chocolate cake mix
1 (8-ounce) package cream
cheese, softened
1/3 cup sugar
1 large egg
1 cup (8 ounces) semisweet
chocolate morsels
Prepare cake mix according to
package directions.
Spoon batter into paper-lined
mufflin pans, filling two-thirds full.
Beat cream cheese and sugar
at medium speed with an electric
mixer until fluffy.
Add egg, beating well; stir in
chocolate morsels.
Spoon 1 heaping teaspoon
cream cheese mixture into center

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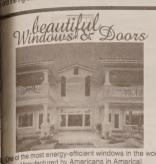


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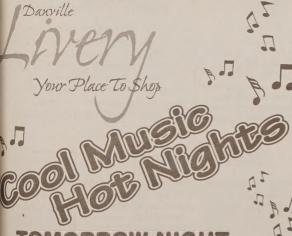
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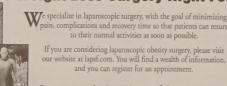
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